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Re: Lower Passaic River Study Area – Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS)

Model – Request for Clarification on Newark Bay Study Area (NBSA) Modeling Administrative Agreement and Order on Consent (AOC) for RI/FS – CERCLA

Docket No. 02-2007-2009

Dear Dr. Law:

In EPA's July 2, 2014 letter to CPG, EPA asked the CPG to provide EPA with a modeling schedule no later than July 18, 2014, for both the LPRSA and NBSA portions of the model. The CPG's July 18, 2014 response letter provides some information about schedule but the NBSA component of the model is not specifically addressed or even mentioned. Additionally, it was unclear in the CPG's May 23, 2014 LPRSA RI/FS schedule whether the entries for the model components include the NBSA portion of the model.

Consistent with Paragraph 37(c) of the AOC, which states that the Settling Parties shall ensure that one model is developed that includes the Lower Passaic River and Newark Bay Study Areas, EPA requires information about the NBSA portion of the model.

Please advise EPA as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, July 28, 2014 of the CPG's schedule for submitting the NBSA portion of the model.

Separate correspondence will be sent regarding the other items discussed in the CPG's July 18, 2014 letter.

Sincerely,

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